

## **APPENDIX A:**

### **SAMPLE DATA FORMS FOR THE PROTOCOLS**

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## **APPENDIX A-1:**

### **Habitat Assessment and Physicochemical Characterization Field Data Sheets**

Form 1: Physical Characterization/Water Quality Field Data Sheet

Form 2: Habitat Assessment Field Data Sheet - High Gradient Streams

Form 3: Habitat Assessment Field Data Sheet - Low Gradient Streams

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## PHYSICAL CHARACTERIZATION/WATER QUALITY FIELD DATA SHEET (FRONT)

STREAM NAME	LOCATION	
STATION # _____ RIVERMILE _____	STREAM CLASS	
LAT _____ LONG _____	RIVER BASIN	
STORET #	AGENCY	
INVESTIGATORS		
FORM COMPLETED BY	DATE _____ TIME _____ AM PM	REASON FOR SURVEY

<b>WEATHER CONDITIONS</b>	<table border="0"> <tr> <td data-bbox="500 512 826 672"> <b>Now</b>   <input type="checkbox"/> storm (heavy rain)  <input type="checkbox"/> rain (steady rain)  <input type="checkbox"/> showers (intermittent)            ____% <input type="checkbox"/> %cloud cover  <input type="checkbox"/> clear/sunny         </td> <td data-bbox="826 512 945 672"> <b>Past 24 hours</b>   <input type="checkbox"/>  <input type="checkbox"/>  <input type="checkbox"/>  <input type="checkbox"/> ____%         </td> <td data-bbox="945 512 1396 672"> <b>Has there been a heavy rain in the last 7 days?</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes    <input type="checkbox"/> No   <b>Air Temperature</b> ____ °C   <b>Other</b> _____         </td> </tr> </table>		<b>Now</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> storm (heavy rain) <input type="checkbox"/> rain (steady rain) <input type="checkbox"/> showers (intermittent) ____% <input type="checkbox"/> %cloud cover <input type="checkbox"/> clear/sunny	<b>Past 24 hours</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> ____%	<b>Has there been a heavy rain in the last 7 days?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No  <b>Air Temperature</b> ____ °C  <b>Other</b> _____
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<b>SITE LOCATION/MAP</b>	<b>Draw a map of the site and indicate the areas sampled (or attach a photograph)</b>				
<b>STREAM CHARACTERIZATION</b>	<table border="0"> <tr> <td data-bbox="500 1612 920 1753"> <b>Stream Subsystem</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Perennial    <input type="checkbox"/> Intermittent    <input type="checkbox"/> Tidal   <b>Stream Origin</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Glacial                      <input type="checkbox"/> Spring-fed  <input type="checkbox"/> Non-glacial montane    <input type="checkbox"/> Mixture of origins  <input type="checkbox"/> Swamp and bog            <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____         </td> <td data-bbox="920 1612 1396 1753"> <b>Stream Type</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Coldwater    <input type="checkbox"/> Warmwater   <b>Catchment Area</b> _____ km<sup>2</sup> </td> </tr> </table>		<b>Stream Subsystem</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Perennial <input type="checkbox"/> Intermittent <input type="checkbox"/> Tidal  <b>Stream Origin</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Glacial <input type="checkbox"/> Spring-fed <input type="checkbox"/> Non-glacial montane <input type="checkbox"/> Mixture of origins <input type="checkbox"/> Swamp and bog <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	<b>Stream Type</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Coldwater <input type="checkbox"/> Warmwater  <b>Catchment Area</b> _____ km <sup>2</sup>	
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# PHYSICAL CHARACTERIZATION/WATER QUALITY FIELD DATA SHEET (BACK)

<b>WATERSHED FEATURES</b>	<b>Predominant Surrounding Landuse</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Forest <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Field/Pasture <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Residential		<b>Local Watershed NPS Pollution</b> <input type="checkbox"/> No evidence <input type="checkbox"/> Some potential sources <input type="checkbox"/> Obvious sources  <b>Local Watershed Erosion</b> <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Moderate <input type="checkbox"/> Heavy
<b>RIPARIAN VEGETATION (18 meter buffer)</b>	<b>Indicate the dominant type and record the dominant species present</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Trees <input type="checkbox"/> Shrubs <input type="checkbox"/> Grasses <input type="checkbox"/> Herbaceous dominant species present _____		
<b>INSTREAM FEATURES</b>	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> <b>Estimated Reach Length</b> _____m  <b>Estimated Stream Width</b> _____m  <b>Sampling Reach Area</b> _____m<sup>2</sup>  <b>Area in km<sup>2</sup> (m<sup>2</sup>x1000)</b> _____km<sup>2</sup>  <b>Estimated Stream Depth</b> _____m  <b>Surface Velocity (at thalweg)</b> _____m/sec           </div> <div> <b>Canopy Cover</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Partly open      <input type="checkbox"/> Partly shaded      <input type="checkbox"/> Shaded  <b>High Water Mark</b> _____m  <b>Proportion of Reach Represented by Stream Morphology Types</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Riffle _____%      <input type="checkbox"/> Run _____%  <input type="checkbox"/> Pool _____%  <b>Channelized</b>      <input type="checkbox"/> Yes      <input type="checkbox"/> No  <b>Dam Present</b>      <input type="checkbox"/> Yes      <input type="checkbox"/> No           </div> </div>		
<b>LARGE WOODY DEBRIS</b>	<b>LWD</b> _____m <sup>2</sup> <b>Density of LWD</b> _____m <sup>2</sup> /km <sup>2</sup> (LWD/ reach area)		
<b>AQUATIC VEGETATION</b>	<b>Indicate the dominant type and record the dominant species present</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Rooted emergent <input type="checkbox"/> Rooted submergent <input type="checkbox"/> Rooted floating <input type="checkbox"/> Free floating <input type="checkbox"/> Floating Algae <input type="checkbox"/> Attached Algae dominant species present _____ <b>Portion of the reach with aquatic vegetation</b> _____%		
<b>WATER QUALITY</b>	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> <b>Temperature</b> _____ °C  <b>Specific Conductance</b> _____  <b>Dissolved Oxygen</b> _____  <b>pH</b> _____  <b>Turbidity</b> _____  <b>WQ Instrument Used</b> _____           </div> <div> <b>Water Odors</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Normal/None      <input type="checkbox"/> Sewage  <input type="checkbox"/> Petroleum      <input type="checkbox"/> Chemical  <input type="checkbox"/> Fishy      <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____   <b>Water Surface Oils</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Slick      <input type="checkbox"/> Sheen      <input type="checkbox"/> Globs      <input type="checkbox"/> Flecks  <input type="checkbox"/> None      <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____   <b>Turbidity (if not measured)</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Clear      <input type="checkbox"/> Slightly turbid      <input type="checkbox"/> Turbid  <input type="checkbox"/> Opaque      <input type="checkbox"/> Stained      <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____           </div> </div>		
<b>SEDIMENT/SUBSTRATE</b>	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> <b>Odors</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Normal      <input type="checkbox"/> Sewage      <input type="checkbox"/> Petroleum  <input type="checkbox"/> Chemical      <input type="checkbox"/> Anaerobic      <input type="checkbox"/> None  <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____   <b>Oils</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Absent      <input type="checkbox"/> Slight      <input type="checkbox"/> Moderate      <input type="checkbox"/> Profuse           </div> <div> <b>Deposits</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Sludge      <input type="checkbox"/> Sawdust      <input type="checkbox"/> Paper fiber      <input type="checkbox"/> Sand  <input type="checkbox"/> Relict shells      <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____   <b>Looking at stones which are not deeply embedded, are the undersides black in color?</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes      <input type="checkbox"/> No           </div> </div>		

INORGANIC SUBSTRATE COMPONENTS (should add up to 100%)			ORGANIC SUBSTRATE COMPONENTS (does not necessarily add up to 100%)		
Substrate Type	Diameter	% Composition in Sampling Reach	Substrate Type	Characteristic	% Composition in Sampling Area
Bedrock			Detritus	sticks, wood, coarse plant materials (CPOM)	
Boulder	> 256 mm (10")				
Cobble	64-256 mm (2.5"-10")		Muck-Mud	black, very fine organic (FPOM)	
Gravel	2-64 mm (0.1"-2.5")				
Sand	0.06-2mm (gritty)		Marl	grey, shell fragments	
Silt	0.004-0.06 mm				
Clay	< 0.004 mm (slick)				



# HABITAT ASSESSMENT FIELD DATA SHEET—HIGH GRADIENT STREAMS (FRONT)

STREAM NAME		LOCATION	
STATION # _____ RIVERMILE _____		STREAM CLASS	
LAT _____ LONG _____		RIVER BASIN	
STORET #		AGENCY	
INVESTIGATORS			
FORM COMPLETED BY		DATE _____ TIME _____ AM PM	REASON FOR SURVEY

Parameters to be evaluated in sampling reach	Habitat Parameter	Condition Category			
		Optimal	Suboptimal	Marginal	Poor
	<b>1. Epifaunal Substrate/ Available Cover</b>	Greater than 70% of substrate favorable for epifaunal colonization and fish cover; mix of snags, submerged logs, undercut banks, cobble or other stable habitat and at stage to allow full colonization potential (i.e., logs/snags that are <u>not</u> new fall and <u>not</u> transient).	40-70% mix of stable habitat; well-suited for full colonization potential; adequate habitat for maintenance of populations; presence of additional substrate in the form of newfall, but not yet prepared for colonization (may rate at high end of scale).	20-40% mix of stable habitat; habitat availability less than desirable; substrate frequently disturbed or removed.	Less than 20% stable habitat; lack of habitat is obvious; substrate unstable or lacking.
	<b>SCORE</b>	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
	<b>2. Embeddedness</b>	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are 0-25% surrounded by fine sediment. Layering of cobble provides diversity of niche space.	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are 25-50% surrounded by fine sediment.	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are 50-75% surrounded by fine sediment.	Gravel, cobble, and boulder particles are more than 75% surrounded by fine sediment.
	<b>SCORE</b>	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
	<b>3. Velocity/Depth Regime</b>	All four velocity/depth regimes present (slow-deep, slow-shallow, fast-deep, fast-shallow). (Slow is < 0.3 m/s, deep is > 0.5 m.)	Only 3 of the 4 regimes present (if fast-shallow is missing, score lower than if missing other regimes).	Only 2 of the 4 habitat regimes present (if fast-shallow or slow-shallow are missing, score low).	Dominated by 1 velocity/depth regime (usually slow-deep).
	<b>SCORE</b>	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
	<b>4. Sediment Deposition</b>	Little or no enlargement of islands or point bars and less than 5% of the bottom affected by sediment deposition.	Some new increase in bar formation, mostly from gravel, sand or fine sediment; 5-30% of the bottom affected; slight deposition in pools.	Moderate deposition of new gravel, sand or fine sediment on old and new bars; 30-50% of the bottom affected; sediment deposits at obstructions, constrictions, and bends; moderate deposition of pools prevalent.	Heavy deposits of fine material, increased bar development; more than 50% of the bottom changing frequently; pools almost absent due to substantial sediment deposition.
	<b>SCORE</b>	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
	<b>5. Channel Flow Status</b>	Water reaches base of both lower banks, and minimal amount of channel substrate is exposed.	Water fills >75% of the available channel; or <25% of channel substrate is exposed.	Water fills 25-75% of the available channel, and/or riffle substrates are mostly exposed.	Very little water in channel and mostly present as standing pools.
	<b>SCORE</b>	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0



# HABITAT ASSESSMENT FIELD DATA SHEET—HIGH GRADIENT STREAMS (BACK)

Habitat Parameter	Condition Category																				
	Optimal					Suboptimal					Marginal					Poor					
<b>6. Channel Alteration</b>	Channelization or dredging absent or minimal; stream with normal pattern.					Some channelization present, usually in areas of bridge abutments; evidence of past channelization, i.e., dredging, (greater than past 20 yr) may be present, but recent channelization is not present.					Channelization may be extensive; embankments or shoring structures present on both banks; and 40 to 80% of stream reach channelized and disrupted.					Banks shored with gabion or cement; over 80% of the stream reach channelized and disrupted. Instream habitat greatly altered or removed entirely.					
<b>SCORE</b>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
<b>7. Frequency of Riffles (or bends)</b>	Occurrence of riffles relatively frequent; ratio of distance between riffles divided by width of the stream <7:1 (generally 5 to 7); variety of habitat is key. In streams where riffles are continuous, placement of boulders or other large, natural obstruction is important.					Occurrence of riffles infrequent; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream is between 7 to 15.					Occasional riffle or bend; bottom contours provide some habitat; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream is between 15 to 25.					Generally all flat water or shallow riffles; poor habitat; distance between riffles divided by the width of the stream is a ratio of >25.					
<b>SCORE</b>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
<b>8. Bank Stability (score each bank)</b>	Banks stable; evidence of erosion or bank failure absent or minimal; little potential for future problems. <5% of bank affected.					Moderately stable; infrequent, small areas of erosion mostly healed over. 5-30% of bank in reach has areas of erosion.					Moderately unstable; 30-60% of bank in reach has areas of erosion; high erosion potential during floods.					Unstable; many eroded areas; "raw" areas frequent along straight sections and bends; obvious bank sloughing; 60-100% of bank has erosional scars.					
Note: determine left or right side by facing downstream.																					
SCORE ____ (LB)	Left Bank	10		9		8	7		6		5	4		3		2	1		0		
SCORE ____ (RB)	Right Bank	10		9		8	7		6		5	4		3		2	1		0		
<b>9. Vegetative Protection (score each bank)</b>	More than 90% of the streambank surfaces and immediate riparian zone covered by native vegetation, including trees, understory shrubs, or nonwoody macrophytes; vegetative disruption through grazing or mowing minimal or not evident; almost all plants allowed to grow naturally.					70-90% of the streambank surfaces covered by native vegetation, but one class of plants is not well-represented; disruption evident but not affecting full plant growth potential to any great extent; more than one-half of the potential plant stubble height remaining.					50-70% of the streambank surfaces covered by vegetation; disruption obvious; patches of bare soil or closely cropped vegetation common; less than one-half of the potential plant stubble height remaining.					Less than 50% of the streambank surfaces covered by vegetation; disruption of streambank vegetation is very high; vegetation has been removed to 5 centimeters or less in average stubble height.					
SCORE ____ (LB)	Left Bank	10		9		8	7		6		5	4		3		2	1		0		
SCORE ____ (RB)	Right Bank	10		9		8	7		6		5	4		3		2	1		0		
<b>10. Riparian Vegetative Zone Width (score each bank riparian zone)</b>	Width of riparian zone >18 meters; human activities (i.e., parking lots, roadbeds, clear-cuts, lawns, or crops) have not impacted zone.					Width of riparian zone 12-18 meters; human activities have impacted zone only minimally.					Width of riparian zone 6-12 meters; human activities have impacted zone a great deal.					Width of riparian zone <6 meters; little or no riparian vegetation due to human activities.					
SCORE ____ (LB)	Left Bank	10		9		8	7		6		5	4		3		2	1		0		
SCORE ____ (RB)	Right Bank	10		9		8	7		6		5	4		3		2	1		0		

Total Score \_\_\_\_\_

## HABITAT ASSESSMENT FIELD DATA SHEET—LOW GRADIENT STREAMS (FRONT)

STREAM NAME	LOCATION	
STATION # _____ RIVERMILE _____	STREAM CLASS	
LAT _____ LONG _____	RIVER BASIN	
STORET #	AGENCY	
INVESTIGATORS		
FORM COMPLETED BY	DATE _____ TIME _____ AM PM	REASON FOR SURVEY

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		Optimal	Suboptimal	Marginal	Poor
	<b>1. Epifaunal Substrate/ Available Cover</b>	Greater than 50% of substrate favorable for epifaunal colonization and fish cover; mix of snags, submerged logs, undercut banks, cobble or other stable habitat and at stage to allow full colonization potential (i.e., logs/snags that are <u>not</u> new fall and <u>not</u> transient).	30-50% mix of stable habitat; well-suited for full colonization potential; adequate habitat for maintenance of populations; presence of additional substrate in the form of newfall, but not yet prepared for colonization (may rate at high end of scale).	10-30% mix of stable habitat; habitat availability less than desirable; substrate frequently disturbed or removed.	Less than 10% stable habitat; lack of habitat is obvious; substrate unstable or lacking.
	SCORE	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
	<b>2. Pool Substrate Characterization</b>	Mixture of substrate materials, with gravel and firm sand prevalent; root mats and submerged vegetation common.	Mixture of soft sand, mud, or clay; mud may be dominant; some root mats and submerged vegetation present.	All mud or clay or sand bottom; little or no root mat; no submerged vegetation.	Hard-pan clay or bedrock; no root mat or vegetation.
	SCORE	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
	<b>3. Pool Variability</b>	Even mix of large-shallow, large-deep, small-shallow, small-deep pools present.	Majority of pools large-deep; very few shallow.	Shallow pools much more prevalent than deep pools.	Majority of pools small-shallow or pools absent.
	SCORE	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
	<b>4. Sediment Deposition</b>	Little or no enlargement of islands or point bars and less than <20% of the bottom affected by sediment deposition.	Some new increase in bar formation, mostly from gravel, sand or fine sediment; 20-50% of the bottom affected; slight deposition in pools.	Moderate deposition of new gravel, sand or fine sediment on old and new bars; 50-80% of the bottom affected; sediment deposits at obstructions, constrictions, and bends; moderate deposition of pools prevalent.	Heavy deposits of fine material, increased bar development; more than 80% of the bottom changing frequently; pools almost absent due to substantial sediment deposition.
	SCORE	20 19 18 17 16	15 14 13 12 11	10 9 8 7 6	5 4 3 2 1 0
	<b>5. Channel Flow Status</b>	Water reaches base of both lower banks, and minimal amount of channel substrate is exposed.	Water fills >75% of the available channel; or <25% of channel substrate is exposed.	Water fills 25-75% of the available channel, and/or riffle substrates are mostly exposed.	Very little water in channel and mostly present as standing pools.
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# HABITAT ASSESSMENT FIELD DATA SHEET—LOW GRADIENT STREAMS (BACK)

Habitat Parameter	Condition Category																				
	Optimal					Suboptimal					Marginal					Poor					
<b>6. Channel Alteration</b>	Channelization or dredging absent or minimal; stream with normal pattern.					Some channelization present, usually in areas of bridge abutments; evidence of past channelization, i.e., dredging, (greater than past 20 yr) may be present, but recent channelization is not present.					Channelization may be extensive; embankments or shoring structures present on both banks; and 40 to 80% of stream reach channelized and disrupted.					Banks shored with gabion or cement; over 80% of the stream reach channelized and disrupted. Instream habitat greatly altered or removed entirely.					
<b>SCORE</b>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
<b>7. Channel Sinuosity</b>	The bends in the stream increase the stream length 3 to 4 times longer than if it was in a straight line. (Note - channel braiding is considered normal in coastal plains and other low-lying areas. This parameter is not easily rated in these areas.)					The bends in the stream increase the stream length 1 to 2 times longer than if it was in a straight line.					The bends in the stream increase the stream length 1 to 2 times longer than if it was in a straight line.					Channel straight; waterway has been channelized for a long distance.					
<b>SCORE</b>	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
<b>8. Bank Stability (score each bank)</b>	Banks stable; evidence of erosion or bank failure absent or minimal; little potential for future problems. <5% of bank affected.					Moderately stable; infrequent, small areas of erosion mostly healed over. 5-30% of bank in reach has areas of erosion.					Moderately unstable; 30-60% of bank in reach has areas of erosion; high erosion potential during floods.					Unstable; many eroded areas; "raw" areas frequent along straight sections and bends; obvious bank sloughing; 60-100% of bank has erosional scars.					
SCORE ____ (LB)	Left Bank		10	9		8		7	6		5		4	3		2		1	0		
SCORE ____ (RB)	Right Bank		10	9		8		7	6		5		4	3		2		1	0		
<b>9. Vegetative Protection (score each bank)</b>	More than 90% of the streambank surfaces and immediate riparian zone covered by native vegetation, including trees, understory shrubs, or nonwoody macrophytes; vegetative disruption through grazing or mowing minimal or not evident; almost all plants allowed to grow naturally.					70-90% of the streambank surfaces covered by native vegetation, but one class of plants is not well-represented; disruption evident but not affecting full plant growth potential to any great extent; more than one-half of the potential plant stubble height remaining.					50-70% of the streambank surfaces covered by vegetation; disruption obvious; patches of bare soil or closely cropped vegetation common; less than one-half of the potential plant stubble height remaining.					Less than 50% of the streambank surfaces covered by vegetation; disruption of streambank vegetation is very high; vegetation has been removed to 5 centimeters or less in average stubble height.					
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<b>10. Riparian Vegetative Zone Width (score each bank riparian zone)</b>	Width of riparian zone >18 meters; human activities (i.e., parking lots, roadbeds, clear-cuts, lawns, or crops) have not impacted zone.					Width of riparian zone 12-18 meters; human activities have impacted zone only minimally.					Width of riparian zone 6-12 meters; human activities have impacted zone a great deal.					Width of riparian zone <6 meters; little or no riparian vegetation due to human activities.					
SCORE ____ (LB)	Left Bank		10	9		8		7	6		5		4	3		2		1	0		
SCORE ____ (RB)	Right Bank		10	9		8		7	6		5		4	3		2		1	0		

Total Score \_\_\_\_\_

## **APPENDIX A-2:**

### **Periphyton Field and Laboratory Data Sheets**

Form 1: Periphyton Field Data Sheet

Form 2: Periphyton Sample Log-In Sheet

Form 3: Periphyton Soft Algae Laboratory Bench Sheet (front and back)

Form 4: Periphyton Diatom Laboratory Bench Sheet (front and back)

Form 5: Rapid Periphyton Survey Field Sheet

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# PERIPHYTON FIELD DATA SHEET

STREAM NAME		LOCATION	
STATION # _____ RIVERMILE _____		STREAM CLASS	
LAT _____ LONG _____		RIVER BASIN	
STORET #		AGENCY	
INVESTIGATORS			LOT NUMBER
FORM COMPLETED BY		DATE _____ TIME _____ AM PM	REASON FOR SURVEY

<b>HABITAT TYPES</b>	<p><b>Indicate the percentage of each habitat type present</b></p> <p> <input type="checkbox"/> Sand-Silt-Mud-Muck_____%              <input type="checkbox"/> Gravel-Cobble_____%              <input type="checkbox"/> Bedrock_____%  <input type="checkbox"/> Small Woody Debris_____%              <input type="checkbox"/> Large Woody Debris_____%              <input type="checkbox"/> Plants, Roots_____%  <input type="checkbox"/> Riffle_____%              <input type="checkbox"/> Run_____%              <input type="checkbox"/> Pool_____%  <input type="checkbox"/> Canopy_____%         </p>
<b>SAMPLE COLLECTION</b>	<p><b>Gear used</b>    <input type="checkbox"/> suction device    <input type="checkbox"/> bar clamp sample    <input type="checkbox"/> scraping    <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____</p> <p><b>How were the samples collected?</b>    <input type="checkbox"/> wading    <input type="checkbox"/> from bank    <input type="checkbox"/> from boat</p> <p><b>If natural habitat collections, indicate the number of samples taken in each habitat type.</b></p> <p> <input type="checkbox"/> Sand-Silt-Mud-Muck_____%              <input type="checkbox"/> Gravel-Cobble_____%              <input type="checkbox"/> Bedrock_____%  <input type="checkbox"/> Small Woody Debris_____%              <input type="checkbox"/> Large Woody Debris_____%              <input type="checkbox"/> Plants, Roots_____%         </p>
<b>GENERAL COMMENTS</b>	

## QUALITATIVE LISTING OF AQUATIC BIOTA

**Indicate estimated abundance:** 0 = Absent/Not Observed, 1 = Rare (<5%), 2 = Common (5% - 30%), 3= Abundant (30% - 70%), 4 = Dominant (>70%)

Periphyton	0	1	2	3	4	Slimes	0	1	2	3	4
Filamentous Algae	0	1	2	3	4	Macroinvertebrates	0	1	2	3	4
Macrophytes	0	1	2	3	4	Fish	0	1	2	3	4

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# PERIPHYTON SAMPLE LOG-IN SHEET

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Serial Code Example: P0754001(1)  
P = Periphyton (B = Benthos, F = Fish), # 0754 = project number # 001 = sample number # (1) = lot number (e.g., winter 1996 = 1; summer 1996 = 2)



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# PERIPHYTON SOFT ALGAE LABORATORY BENCH SHEET (FRONT)

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STREAM NAME		LOCATION	
STATION #	RIVERMILE	STREAM CLASS	
LAT	LONG	RIVER BASIN	
STORET #	LOT #	AGENCY	
COLLECTORS INITIALS	DATE	TAXONOMISTS INITIALS	DATE
SUBSAMPLE TARGET FOR SOFT ALGAE		<input type="checkbox"/> 300 <input type="checkbox"/> 400 <input type="checkbox"/> 500 <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	

TAXA NAME	TALLY	CODE	# OF CELLS	TCR

Taxonomic certainty ratings (TCR) can be determined for each taxa or for the laboratory as a whole. The TCR scale is 1-5, with: 1 = most certain and 5 = least certain. If rating is 3-5, give reason. The number of cells for filamentous algae is an estimate of relative biomass.

Total No. Algal cells \_\_\_\_\_ Total No. Taxa \_\_\_\_\_

STREAM IDENTIFICATION CODE	DATE COUNTED
COUNTED TRANSECT LENGTH	COUNTED TRANSECT WIDTH
SIZE OF COVERGLASS	TOTAL SAMPLE VOLUME
VOLUME OF SAMPLE ON COVERGLASS	SAMPLE DILUTION FACTOR
PROPORTION OF SAMPLE COUNTED	AREA OF SUBSTRATE SAMPLED
TOTAL NUMBER OF CELLS COUNTED	TOTAL ASSEMBLAGE CELL DENSITY

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STREAM NAME				LOCATION			
STATION #		RIVERMILE		STREAM CLASS			
LAT		LONG		RIVER BASIN			
STORET #		LOT #		AGENCY			
COLLECTORS INITIALS		DATE		TAXONOMISTS INITIALS		DATE	
SUBSAMPLE TARGET FOR DIATOM				<input type="checkbox"/> 300 <input type="checkbox"/> 400 <input type="checkbox"/> 600 <input type="checkbox"/> Other ____			

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**Total No. Algal cells** \_\_\_\_\_ **Total No. Taxa** \_\_\_\_\_

<b>TAXONOMY</b>  ID _____  Date _____	Explain TCR ratings of 3-5:   Other Comments (e.g. condition of algae):   <hr/>
	<div> <div>QC:</div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> YES           <input type="checkbox"/> NO         </div> <div>QC Checker</div> </div> <hr/> <div> <div>Algal recognition</div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> pass           <input type="checkbox"/> fail         </div> </div> <div> <div>Verification complete</div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> YES           <input type="checkbox"/> NO         </div> </div>

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# **RAPID PERIPHYTON SURVEY FIELD SHEET**

STREAM NAME	LOCATION	
STATION #	RIVERMILE	STREAM CLASS
LAT	LONG	RIVER BASIN
STORET #	LOT #	AGENCY
COLLECTORS INITIALS	DATE	TAXONOMISTS INITIALS
	DATE	DATE

ASSESSED BY
GRID AREA
ID MACROALGA #1
ID MACROALGA #2
ID MICROALGA #1
ID MICROALGA #2

Macroalga #1 Maximum Length \_\_\_\_\_

Macroalga #2 Maximum Length \_\_\_\_\_

TRANSECT/ VIEW #	# DOTS IN GRID AREA	MACROALGA #1 DOTS COVERED	MACROALGA #2 DOTS COVERED	# DOTS MICROALGA SUBSTRATE	MICROALGA #1 DOTS COVERED BY THICKNESS RANK								MICROALGA #2 DOTS COVERED BY THICKNESS RANK							
					0	0.5	1	2	3	4	5	0	0.5	1	2	3	4	5		

General Comments:

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## **APPENDIX A-3:**

### **Benthic Macroinvertebrate Field and Laboratory Data Sheets**

- Form 1: Benthic Macroinvertebrate Field Data Sheet
- Form 2: Benthic Macroinvertebrate Sample Log-In Sheet
- Form 3: Benthic Macroinvertebrate Laboratory Bench Sheet
- Form 4: Preliminary Assessment Score Sheet (Pass)

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## BENTHIC MACROINVERTEBRATE FIELD DATA SHEET

STREAM NAME	LOCATION	
STATION # _____ RIVERMILE _____	STREAM CLASS	
LAT _____ LONG _____	RIVER BASIN	
STORET #	AGENCY	
INVESTIGATORS	LOT NUMBER	
FORM COMPLETED BY	DATE _____ TIME _____ AM PM	REASON FOR SURVEY

<b>HABITAT TYPES</b>	<b>Indicate the percentage of each habitat type present</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Cobble _____% <input type="checkbox"/> Snags _____% <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetated Banks _____% <input type="checkbox"/> Sand _____% <input type="checkbox"/> Submerged Macrophytes _____% <input type="checkbox"/> Other ( _____ ) _____%
<b>SAMPLE COLLECTION</b>	<b>Gear used</b> <input type="checkbox"/> D-frame <input type="checkbox"/> kick-net <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____  <b>How were the samples collected?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> wading <input type="checkbox"/> from bank <input type="checkbox"/> from boat  <b>Indicate the number of jabs/kicks taken in each habitat type.</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Cobble _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Snags _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetated Banks _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Sand _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Submerged Macrophytes _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other ( _____ ) _____
<b>GENERAL COMMENTS</b>	

### QUALITATIVE LISTING OF AQUATIC BIOTA

Indicate estimated abundance: 0 = Absent/Not Observed, 1 = Rare, 2 = Common, 3= Abundant, 4 = Dominant

Periphyton	0	1	2	3	4	Slimes	0	1	2	3	4
Filamentous Algae	0	1	2	3	4	Macroinvertebrates	0	1	2	3	4
Macrophytes	0	1	2	3	4	Fish	0	1	2	3	4

### FIELD OBSERVATIONS OF MACROBENTHOS

Indicate estimated abundance: 0 = Absent/Not Observed, 1 = Rare (1-3 organisms), 2 = Common (3-9 organisms), 3= Abundant (>10 organisms), 4 = Dominant (>50 organisms)

Porifera	0	1	2	3	4	Anisoptera	0	1	2	3	4	Chironomidae	0	1	2	3	4
Hydrozoa	0	1	2	3	4	Zygoptera	0	1	2	3	4	Ephemeroptera	0	1	2	3	4
Platyhelminthes	0	1	2	3	4	Hemiptera	0	1	2	3	4	Trichoptera	0	1	2	3	4
Turbellaria	0	1	2	3	4	Coleoptera	0	1	2	3	4	Other	0	1	2	3	4
Hirudinea	0	1	2	3	4	Lepidoptera	0	1	2	3	4						
Oligochaeta	0	1	2	3	4	Sialidae	0	1	2	3	4						
Isopoda	0	1	2	3	4	Corydalidae	0	1	2	3	4						
Amphipoda	0	1	2	3	4	Tipulidae	0	1	2	3	4						
Decapoda	0	1	2	3	4	Empididae	0	1	2	3	4						
Gastropoda	0	1	2	3	4	Simuliidae	0	1	2	3	4						
Bivalvia	0	1	2	3	4	Tabinidae	0	1	2	3	4						
						Culcidae	0	1	2	3	4						

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# BENTHIC MACROINVERTEBRATE SAMPLE LOG-IN SHEET

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Serial Code Example: B0754001(1)  
 B = Benthos (F = Fish; P = Periphyton), # 0754 = project number # 001 = sample number # (1) = lot number (e.g., winter 1996 = 1; summer 1996 = 2)

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# BENTHIC MACROINVERTEBRATE LABORATORY BENCH SHEET (FRONT)

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STREAM NAME		LOCATION	
STATION # _____	RIVERMILE _____	STREAM CLASS	
LAT _____	LONG _____	RIVER BASIN	
STORET #		AGENCY	
COLLECTED BY	DATE _____	LOT #	
TAXONOMIST	DATE _____	SUBSAMPLE TARGET <input type="checkbox"/> 100 <input type="checkbox"/> 200 <input type="checkbox"/> 300 <input type="checkbox"/> Other ____	

Enter Family and/or Genus and Species name on blank line.

Organisms		No.	LS	TI	TCR	Organisms		No.	LS	TI	TCR
Oligochaeta						Megaloptera					
Hirudinea						Coleoptera					
Isopoda											
Amphipoda						Diptera					
Decapoda											
Ephemeroptera						Gastropoda					
Plecoptera						Pelecypoda					
						Other					
Trichoptera											
Hemiptera											

Taxonomic certainty rating (TCR) 1-5:1=most certain, 5=least certain. If rating is 3-5, give reason (e.g., missing gills). LS= life stage: I = immature; P = pupa; A = adult TI = Taxonomists initials

Total No. Organisms \_\_\_\_\_

Total No. Taxa \_\_\_\_\_

## BENTHIC MACROINVERTEBRATE LABORATORY BENCH SHEET (BACK)

<b>SUBSAMPLING/SORTING INFORMATION</b>  Sorter _____  Date _____	Number of grids picked: _____  Time expenditure _____ No. of organisms _____  Indicate the presence of large or obviously abundant organisms:  <hr style="border: 1px solid black;"/> <p>QC:      <input type="checkbox"/> YES      <input type="checkbox"/> NO      QC Checker _____</p>  <div style="display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">             # organisms originally sorted   <input style="width: 50px; height: 20px;" type="text"/> </div> <div style="font-size: 2em; margin: 0 10px;">÷</div> <div style="text-align: center;">             # organisms recovered by checker   <input style="width: 50px; height: 20px;" type="text"/> </div> <div style="font-size: 2em; margin: 0 10px;">+</div> <div style="text-align: center;">             # organisms originally sorted   <input style="width: 50px; height: 20px;" type="text"/> </div> <div style="font-size: 2em; margin: 0 10px;">)</div> <div style="text-align: center;">             = <input style="width: 50px; height: 20px;" type="text"/> </div> <div style="margin-left: 20px;">             % sorting efficiency           </div> </div> ≥90%, sample passes _____  <90%, sample fails, action taken _____  <hr style="border: 1px solid black;"/>
<b>TAXONOMY</b>  ID _____  Date _____	Explain TCR ratings of 3-5:   Other Comments (e.g. condition of specimens):   <hr style="border: 1px solid black;"/> <p>QC:      <input type="checkbox"/> YES      <input type="checkbox"/> NO      QC Checker _____</p>  <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div>             Organism recognition Verification complete           </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> pass <input type="checkbox"/> YES           </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> fail <input type="checkbox"/> NO           </div> </div>



**PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT SCORE SHEET  
(PASS)**

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STREAM NAME		LOCATION	
STATION # _____	RIVERMILE _____	STREAM CLASS	
LAT _____	LONG _____	RIVER BASIN	
STORET #		AGENCY	
COLLECTED BY _____	DATE _____	LOT # _____	NUMBER OF SWEEPS _____
HABITATS: <input type="checkbox"/> COBBLE <input type="checkbox"/> SHOREZONE <input type="checkbox"/> SNAGS <input type="checkbox"/> VEGETATION			

**Enter Family and/or Genus and Species name on blank line.**

Enter Family and/or Genus and Species name on blank line.												
Organisms		No.	LS	TI	TCR	Organisms		No.	LS	TI	TCR	
Oligochaeta						Megaloptera						
Hirudinea						Coleoptera						
Isopoda												
Amphipoda						Diptera						
Decapoda												
Ephemeroptera						Gastropoda						
Plecoptera						Pelecypoda						
						Other						
Trichoptera												
Hemiptera						Taxonomic certainty rating (TCR) 1-5:1=most certain, 5=least certain. If rating is 3-5, give reason (e.g., missing gills). LS= life stage: I = immature; P = pupa; A = adult TI = Taxonomists initials						

	Site Value	Target Threshold	If 2 or more metrics are $\geq$ target threshold, site is
<b>Total No. Taxa</b>			<b>HEALTHY</b>
<b>EPT Taxa</b>			If less than 2 metrics are within target range, site is
<b>Tolerance Index</b>			
			<b>SUSPECTED IMPAIRED</b>

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## **APPENDIX A-4:**

### **Fish Field and Laboratory Data Sheets**

Form 1: Fish Sampling Field Data Sheet

Form 2: Fish Sample Log-In Sheet

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SAMPLE COLLECTION	<b>How were the fish captured?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> back pack <input type="checkbox"/> tote barge <input type="checkbox"/> other _____
	<b>Block nets used?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
	<b>Sampling Duration</b> Start time _____                      End time _____                      Duration _____
	<b>Stream width (in meters)</b> Max _____                      Mean _____
HABITAT TYPES	<b>Indicate the percentage of each habitat type present</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Riffles _____% <input type="checkbox"/> Pools _____% <input type="checkbox"/> Runs _____% <input type="checkbox"/> Snags _____% <input type="checkbox"/> Submerged Macrophytes _____% <input type="checkbox"/> Other (                      ) _____%
GENERAL COMMENTS	

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## FISH SAMPLING FIELD DATA SHEET (BACK)

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\* **ANOMALY CODES:** D = deformities; E = eroded fins; F = fungus; L = lesions; M = multiple DELT anomalies; S = emaciated; Z = other

# FISH SAMPLE LOG-IN SHEET

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Serial Code Example: F0754001(1)  
F = Fish (B = Benthos; P = Periphyton)# 0754 = project number # 001 = sample number # (1) = lot number (e.g., winter 1996 = 1; summer 1996 = 2)

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